



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Frank Eidam
FOR : **LOCKING RING**
SERIAL NO. : 10/699,902
FILED : November 3, 2003
EXAMINER : James R Brittain
ART UNIT : 3677
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : BGEE 2 00025

PROPOSED AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2006, Applicant amends this application as follows: